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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))
(Regular application claiming priority of a provisional)

Mail Stop Patent Application
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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:
Shiow-Hwei Hwang and Tao-Yi Fu

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS USING INTERFEROMETRIC METROLOGY FOR HIGH ASPECT RATIO INSPECTION**

Assigned to: KLA-Tencor Technologies, Corporation

Priority of U.S. provisional application No. 60/414,725 filed on September 27, 2002 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

☐ Amend the specification by inserting after the title the sentence: "This application claims priority of U.S. provisional application No. _____ filed on _____ which is hereby incorporated by reference."

Application Elements:

- ☒ **51** Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ **10** Sheets of formal Drawings
- ☐ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☐ Separate Declaration

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☒ Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ Separate Power of Attorney by Assignee
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

Claim For Foreign Priority

- ☐ Priority of _____ Application No. _____ filed on _____
is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- ☐ The certified copy is enclosed.
- ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application U.S. Application No. _____
- ☐ The certified copy will follow.

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

☒ **PLEASE DEFER THE FILING FEES AT THIS TIME.**

☐ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. _____).

General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. KLA1P067).

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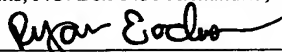
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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION
(35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i))**

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen (18) months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application **NOT** be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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NOTE:

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application upon filing.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications, eighteen months after filing, the applicant **must** notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of the filing of such foreign of international application. Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).